

Celebration of Life for Mother Elizzem "Liz" Wilson



**Sunrise
November 9, 1938**

**Sunset
March 7, 2018**

**Service 11 am
Westside Church of God
1422 W. California Avenue
Fresno, CA 93706
Dr. Paul Binion, Pastor**

**Bishop Jonathan Logan
Cornstone Community COGIC, Marin, CA
Officiating**



Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional / Clergy and Family

<i>Invocation</i>	<i>Douglas Clemmons</i>
<i>Old Testament / Psalm 91: 1-7.....</i>	<i>Elder James Archie</i>
<i>New Testament / 1 Corinthians 15: 57-58.....</i>	<i>Pastor Kevin Person</i>

Officiating

<i>Bishop Melvin Scott.....</i>	<i>Power House Evangelistic, San Pablo, California</i>
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<i>Pastor Dewayne McCullough.....</i>	<i>Totally Committed Progressive COGIC, DeSoto Texas</i>
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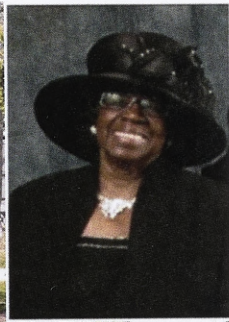
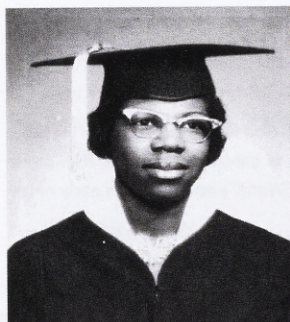
<i>Musical Selection</i>	<i>Robin Williams</i>
<i>Precious Memories.....</i>	<i>Missionary Mozell Miller</i>
<i>Expressions / Women's Ministry.....</i>	<i>Elder Caroline Evans</i>
<i>Musical Selection</i>	<i>Christian David</i>
<i>Expressions / Intercessory Prayer Ministry.....</i>	<i>Elder Bruce Mitchell</i>
<i>Musical Selection.....</i>	<i>Pastor Gwen Amey</i>
<i>Acknowledgement of Cards.....</i>	<i>Carida Johnson</i>
<i>California Valley Jurisdiction, Women's Dept.....</i>	<i>State Supervisor Designate</i>

Resolutions

Reflections

<i>Precious Memories.....</i>	<i>Evangelist Virginia Powers</i>
<i>Musical Selection.....</i>	<i>Michael & Elizabeth McCurtis</i>
<i>Reading of Obituary.....</i>	<i>Dolores Murray Hill</i>
<i>Musical Selection.....</i>	<i>Elder Michael Jenkins</i>
<i>Eulogy.....</i>	<i>Bishop Jonathan Logan</i>

Viewing



THE MINISTRY OF MOTHER ELIZZEM "LIZ" WILSON

THE HUMBLE BEGINNING

Mother Elizzem Wilson began her ministry in 1943 at Fresno Temple Church of God in Christ (COGIC), in Fresno California, where her parents, Deacon O.D. Pickens and Mother Eliza Pickens and paternal grandmother, Mother Carrie Smith were members. As a young child, Mother Wilson listened to the "Word" and engaged in early morning prayer before going to school.

Mother Wilson held her first job working in the dry-cleaning business owned and operated by the late Mother Parolee O. Richardson, who not only taught her the art of pressing and creasing perfect pleats but also taught her how to minister to God's people. During these early years Mother Wilson's spiritual growth and training began as she learned to work in the battlefield doing the work of the Lord equipping the saints with the knowledge, grace and mercies of God and winning souls for Christ.

YOUNG ADULT YEARS IN LOS ANGELES

After uniting in marriage and moving to Los Angeles Mother Wilson and her husband, John Wilson united with Mount Olive COGIC, pastored by Bishop E. B. Stewart of the California COGIC Jurisdiction. As her young family grew, her growth in the ministry continued at Mount Olive where she worked with Minister Arthur Stewart and his wife Charlene (also from Fresno) and worked in other ministries at the Mount Olive Church.

MIRACLES IN SCOTTSDALE ARIZONA

In 1972, as the family grew from two to three daughters, that same year the Lord moved the Wilson family to Scottsdale, Arizona. Upon moving to Scottsdale, the family united with Emanuel COGIC, pastored by Bishop Felton King. In Scottsdale the Lord began to show Himself through Mother Wilson's healing ministry when she prayed for a young mother's chronic and crippling back pain and prayed for the mother's two-month-old critically ill baby. Shortly after Mother Wilson prayed, the mother cried out, "MOTHER WILSON LOOK AT MY BABY, SHE HASN'T EATEN IN WEEKS. NOW HER BOTTLE IS ALMOST EMPTY." This encounter resulted in an invitation to Mother Wilson to join the young mother's Bible study group. The news of Mother Wilson's healing ministry and teaching drew people from all over Scottsdale and beyond; they came in sandals, shorts, flip flops and miniskirts; the blind and the cripple came; as well as people from Catholic, Lutheran, Mormon, Methodist and Pentecostal churches were drawn to Mother Wilson's ministry in Arizona.

MOTHER WILSON'S RETURN TO CALIFORNIA

When Mother Wilson and her family returned to California, they resided in Santa Barbara. The family worshiped at Bethel COGIC under the leadership Elder Clifton Johnson under the Jurisdictional Prelate of Bishop J.A. Blake, father of Bishop Charles Blake, the present presiding National Jurisdictional Bishop of the COGIC denomination. She continued her ministry working with the Santa Barbara Chairlady of the COGIC Regional Youth Department President, Michael Mc Curtis.

A highlight of Mother Wilson's ministry was her appointment to the esteemed position of State Supervisor of the Women's Department under Bishop B. R. Benbow in the Southwest Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, headquartered in Santa Monica. Mother Wilson served as State Supervisor for four years.

In 1993, Mother McGlothen, the National Supervisor of the COGIC denomination selected Mother Wilson to serve as "Elect Lady" of the California Golden West Regional Evangelistic State Department. This position expanded Mother Wilson's leadership and ministry across the United States, conducting several regional, and nationwide revivals and crusades.

PARK MINISTRY

Over the span of Mother Wilson's ministry, her kingdom work included park ministry, ministering at parks in Ventura, Santa Barbara and later in Fresno where she led and ministered at the annual Labor Day Jesus Jubilee for several years.

PRISON MINISTRY

Mother Wilson's prison ministry began in her early adult years while living in Los Angeles. She ministered in prisons twice a month, along with Mother Gurther Houston, Mother Cora Berry and Missionary Snodgrass. Later, after returning to Fresno, Mother Wilson's prison ministry included Corcoran State Men's Prison, Avenal, Wasco State Prison. This ministry contributed to the success of the prisons' religious programs.

WELL DONE GOOD & FAITHFUL SERVENT

In returning to Fresno after the death of her husband, Mother Wilson worshiped with her mother, Evangelist Eliza Pickens at Trinity COGIC. She served as Church Mother for 14 years, Assistant Missionary Circle and as Pastor's Aid. Mother Wilson later became a faithful member at Golden Harvest COGIC, pastored by Superintendent Douglas where she served until she heard God's voice calling her to rest.

Mother Elizzem "Liz" Wilson departed this life on March 7, 2018. She leaves to honor her precious memories, 1 Sister: Virginia Powers of Antioch, CA; 3 daughters: Deniese Leeann Wilson of Los Angeles CA, Antoinette Wilson (Toni) of Fresno CA, Johanna Monique Wilson (J.J.) of Santa Barbara CA; 2 grandchildren: Avery Sebrin Wilson, Sierra Antise Wilson (CeCe) of Santa Barbara CA; 1 great grandchild: Kattelaya Adela Wilson (Katt) of Santa Barbara, CA, Son-In-Law Michael Lawrence (Mako) of Fresno, CA; 1 Godson: Jabez Jackson of Oakland CA; 3 Special Spiritual daughters: Elder Karen Parker, Elder Caroline Evans and LaKiesha Randolph all of Fresno CA; Special Spiritual Sons Elder Bruce Mitchell and Landon Green Sr of Fresno CA; 1 special spiritual grandson: Landon Narville Green Jr. and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, relatives, friends, spiritual sons, daughters, children and her Golden Harvest COGIC family.

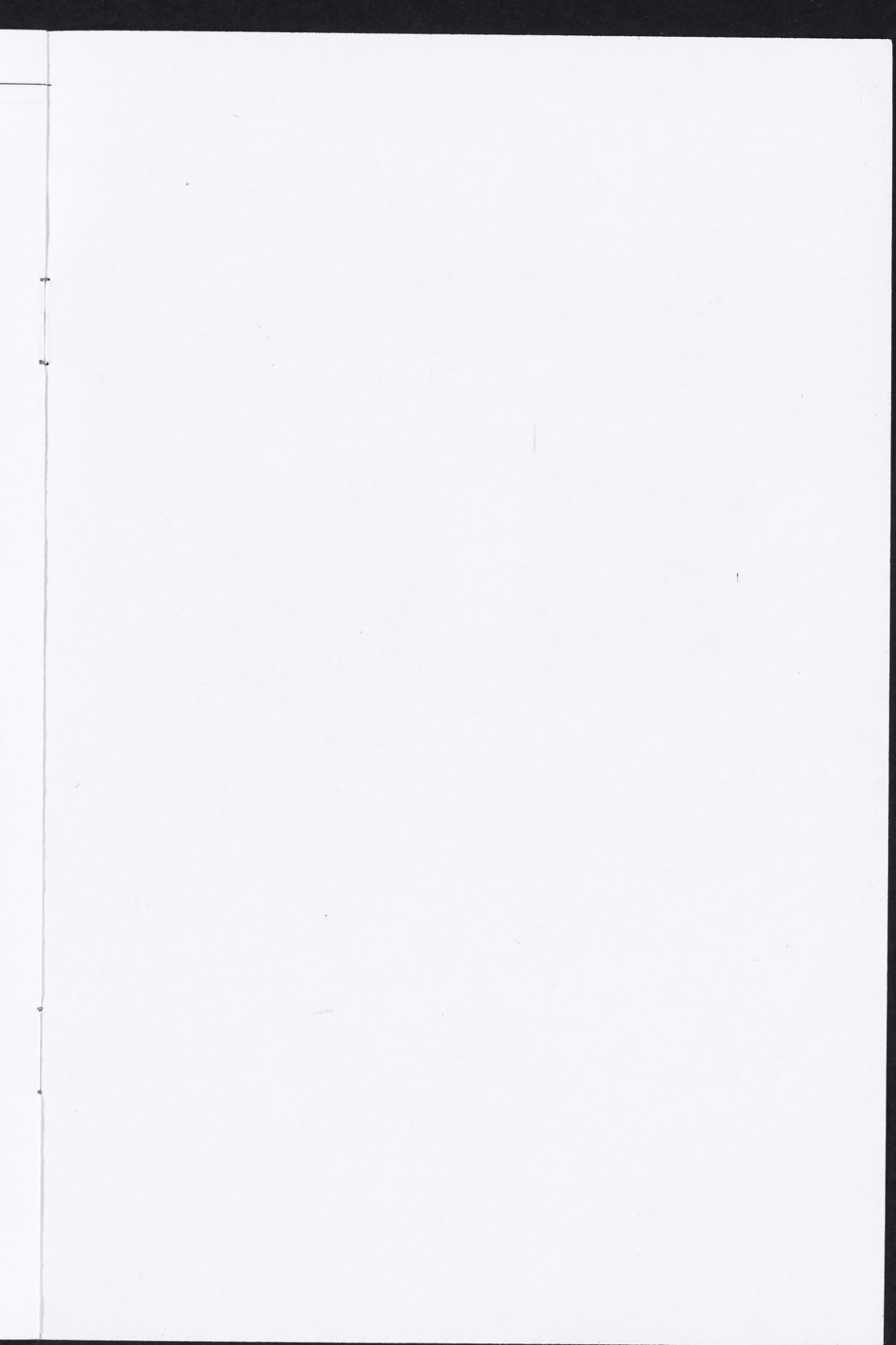
Proceeding her in death O.D. Pickens (Father), Eliza Pickens (Mother); 3 Sisters: Deeolla Hill (Dr. William E. Hill) Carrie Lee Muccular (Elder William Muccular) Sarah Pickens; 3 Brothers: Dwight Pickens (Glanner Mae Pickens), Larkes Pickens, Cliffus Pickens.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.







Pallbearers

Landon Green	Earl Simmons
Wayland Edwards	Lamont Pittman
Michael Lawrence	Jeremy Edwards

Honorary Pallbearers

George Clemmons	Earl Clemmons
Steve Williams	Delmar Clemmons
Lawrence Hill	Dwight Pickens
Gary McCullar	Michael Ford

Acknowledgement

Cynthia Sterling -

Golden Harvest COGIC - Dr. Douglas & Marie Clemmons and church family

Westside Church of God - Dr. Paul Binon, Pastor

Gloria Hall - Elder Karen Parker - LaKeisha Randolph - Dr. Steve & Kimi Fabgule -
Ruthie Clark



If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Arrangement Entrusted to:

Yost & Webb

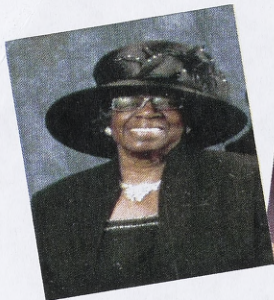
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Committal Service:

Santa Barbara Cemetery, Santa Barbara CA

Private family service



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2 Chronicles 7:14

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF:

“Mother Elizzem Liz Wilson”

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Order of Service

Invocation

Old Testament - Minister Bruce Mitchell

New Testament – Pastor Ester

Officiating

Pastor Patrice McCullar of Lodi CA

Evangelist Diane McCullar of Richmond CA

Musical Selection

Precious Memories

Pastors/Elders

Evangelist/Missionaries/ Ministries

Words of Expression

(Open to the church)

Closing Prayer